# Thermodynamics of topological nonlinear charged Lifshitz black holes

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In this paper, we construct a new class of analytic topological Lifshitz black holes with constant curvature horizon in the presence of power-law Maxwell field in four and higher dimensions. We find that in order to obtain these exact Lifshitz solutions, we need a dilaton and at least three electromagnetic fields. Interestingly enough, we find that the reality of the charge of the electromagnetic field which is needed for having solutions with curved horizon rules out black holes with hyperbolic horizon. Next, we study the thermodynamics of these nonlinear charged Lifshitz black holes with spherical and flat horizons by calculating all the conserved and thermodynamic quantities of the solutions. Furthermore, we obtain a generalized Smarr formula and show that the first law of thermodynamics is satisfied. We also perform a stability analysis in both canonical and grand-canonical ensemble. We find that the solutions are thermally stable in a proper ranges of the metric parameters. Finally, we comment on the dynamical stability of the obtained solutions under perturbations in four dimensions.

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

The idea of correspondence between gravity in an antide Sitter spacetime and the conformal field theory living on its boundary (AdS/CFT correspondence), was first suggested by Maldacena in 1998 [1]. According to Maldacena's arguments the effects of the string or M-theory in a d-dimensional  $AdS_{n+1} \times S^{d-n-1}$  spacetime can be appeared in the form of a field theory on an n-dimensional r-constant brane which is the boundary of  $AdS_{n+1}$  spacetime. He expressed that the finite temperature configurations in the field theory which lies on the n-dimensional brane and is decoupled from the bulk correspond to black hole configurations in  $AdS_{n+1}$  spacetime [1]. This proposal makes us able to study the non-perturbative aspects of the field theories. This idea attracted a lot of interests rapidly and has been studied from different points of view [2]. Since the line element of the AdS spacetime,

$$ds^{2} = -\frac{r^{2}}{l^{2}}dt^{2} + \frac{l^{2}}{r^{2}}dr^{2} + r^{2}\sum_{i=1}^{n-1}dx_{i}^{2},$$
 (1)

is invariant under an isotropic conformal transformation

$$t \to \lambda t, \quad x_i \to \lambda x_i, \quad r \to \lambda^{-1} r,$$
 (2)

so the application of AdS/CFT is restricted to systems respected isotropic scale invariance. But, quantum critical systems show scaling symmetry

$$t \to \lambda^z t, \quad x_i \to \lambda x_i,$$
 (3)

where z>1 is a dynamical critical exponent which shows the degrees of anisotropy between space and time. Therefore, we can generalize AdS spacetime to other spacetimes with anisotropic scale invariance

$$ds^{2} = -\frac{r^{2z}}{l^{2z}}dt^{2} + \frac{l^{2}dr^{2}}{r^{2}} + r^{2}\sum_{i=1}^{n-1}dx_{i}^{2}.$$
 (4)

This spacetime was first introduced in [3] and is called Lifshitz spacetime. Black hole configurations in the Lifshitz spacetime are dual to the field theories enjoying anisotropic scale invariance on the boundary (brane).

It is well-known that Lifshitz spacetime is not a vacuum solution of Einstein gravity and it needs some matter sources. In many works this matter source was considered to be a massive gauge field [4–7]. Some of these solutions were obtained for fixed z [4–6]. For instance, the authors of [4, 5] focused on z = 2 case. The main disadvantage of such models containing massive gauge fields is that it is usually impossible to obtain an analytic solution for an arbitrary z, although some efforts have been made to do that [8]. In Ref. [9], it was shown that by considering a dilaton field, instead of a massive gauge field, we are able to derive exact solutions which helps us to get more insight. In addition, string theory in its low energy limit recovers Einstein gravity with a scalar dilaton field nonminimally coupled to gravity and other fields such as gauge fields [10]. Thermal behavior of uncharged Lifshitz black branes in Einstein-dilaton gravity has been investigated in [11]. Thermodynamics of linearly charged Lifshitz black hole/branes in the context of Einstein-dilaton gravity has been studied in [9].

Matter sources possessing conformal invariance have been always of much interests [12]. The first black hole solution with a conformally invariance matter source is the Reissner-Nordström solution in four dimensions. In higher dimensions, Maxwell source is no longer conformally invariant. However, as in the case of massless

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Klein-Gordon Lagrangian, a particular power of Maxwell Lagrangian can respect conformal invariance in arbitrary dimensions [13]. In fact, in (n+1)-dimensional spacetime the action

$$S_{\rm PM} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^{n+1}x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}_{PM}, \tag{5}$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{PM}} = \left[ -e^{-4/(n-1)\lambda\Phi} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right]^{(n+1)/4}$$

is conformally invariant, i.e., it is invariant under the conformal transformation  $g_{\mu\nu} \to \Omega^2 g_{\mu\nu}$ ,  $A_{\mu} \to A_{\mu}$  and  $\Phi \to \Phi$ . Black hole solutions with power-law Maxwell electrodynamic fields have been studied in [13–17].

Here, we shall consider a class of asymptotically Lifshitz black hole solutions of Einstein-dilaton gravity with power-law Maxwell field. Although electrodynamic Lagrangian is conformally invariant in (n+1)/4 dimensions, this does not implies that the power should be fixed for general cases. We first consider a four dimensional toy model and fully describe the procedure of solving field equations and gaining desired solutions. Then, we extend our solutions to the higher-dimensional spacetimes. From the prediction of string theory, we know that the spacetime may have more than four dimensions. Therefore we get enough motivation for studying black hole solutions of Einstein gravity in all higher dimensions. Although it was thought for a while that the extra spacial dimensions are of the order of the Planck scale, recent theories suggest that if we live on a three dimensional brane embedded in a higher dimensional bulk, it is quite possible to have the extra dimensions relatively large and still unobservable [18, 19]. In this scenario, all gravitational objects including black holes are higher-dimensional.

This paper is structured as follows. In the next section, we introduce the four dimensional action in the presence of a general nonlinear electrodynamic and derive the equations of motion by varying the action. We also give some general remarks about nonlinearly charged topological Lifshitz black holes. Furthermore, focusing on power-law nonlinear electrodynamic source, we comprehensively describe the procedure of obtaining asymptotic Lifshitz topological black hole exact solutions. In section III, we generalize our study to higher dimensions. In section IV, we calculate the mass of black hole solutions by the modified Brown-York method and study thermodynamics of the obtained solutions. We also check the validity of the first law of thermodynamics by finding the Smarr formula for the mass. In section V, we investigate thermal stability of the solutions in both canonical and grand-canonical ensembles. The dynamical stability of 4-dimensional AdS black holes is examined in VI. In the last section we give a summary and closing remarks on our work.

# II. ACTION AND ASYMPTOTIC LIFSHITZ SOLUTIONS

The action of Einstein-dilaton gravity in the presence of a nonlinear electromagnetic and two linear Maxwell fields can be written as:

$$S = -\frac{1}{16\pi} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \mathcal{R} - 2(\nabla \Phi)^2 - 2\Lambda_4 + \mathcal{L}(F, \Phi) - \sum_{i=2}^3 e^{-2\lambda_i \Phi} H_i \right\}, \quad (6)$$

where  $\mathcal{R}$  is the Ricci scalar on manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ ,  $\Phi$  is the dilaton field,  $\Lambda_4$  and  $\lambda_i$ 's are constant parameters. In Eq. (6) F and  $H_i$ 's are the Maxwell invariants of electromagnetic fields  $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{[\mu}A_{\nu]}$  and  $(H_i)_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{[\mu}(B_i)_{\nu]}$ , where  $A_{\mu}$  and  $(B_i)_{\mu}$ s are the electromagnetic potentials.  $\mathcal{L}(F,\Phi)$  stands for nonlinear electromagnetic Lagrangian. Varying the action (6) with respect to the metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$ , the dilaton field  $\Phi$ , electromagnetic potentials  $A_{\mu}$  and  $(B_i)_{\mu}$ 's, lead to the following field equations

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} \left[ 2\Lambda_4 + 2\mathcal{L}_F F - \mathcal{L}(F, \Phi) \right]$$
$$- \sum_{i=2}^{3} H_i e^{-2\lambda_i \Phi} + 2\sum_{i=2}^{3} e^{-2\lambda_i \Phi} \left( H_i \right)_{\mu\lambda} \left( H_i \right)_{\nu}^{\lambda}$$
$$- 2\mathcal{L}_F F_{\mu\lambda} F_{\nu}^{\lambda} + 2\partial_{\mu} \Phi \partial_{\nu} \Phi, \tag{7}$$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi + \frac{\mathcal{L}_{\Phi}}{4} + \sum_{i=2}^3 \frac{\lambda_i}{2} e^{-2\lambda_i \Phi} H_i = 0, \tag{8}$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} \left( \mathcal{L}_F F^{\mu\nu} \right) = 0, \tag{9}$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} \left( e^{-2\lambda_i \Phi} \left( H_i \right)^{\mu \nu} \right) = 0. \tag{10}$$

where we use the convention  $X_Y = \partial X/\partial Y$ . Our purpose here is to find asymptotic Lifshitz topological black hole solutions of the field equations (7)-(10). The line elements of such a metric in four dimensions can be written as [4, 9]

$$ds^{2} = -\frac{r^{2z}}{l^{2z}}f(r)dt^{2} + \frac{l^{2}}{r^{2}}\frac{dr^{2}}{f(r)} + r^{2}d\Omega_{k}^{2},$$
(11)

where

$$d\Omega_k^2 = \begin{cases} d\theta^2 + \sin^2(\theta) d\phi^2 & k = 1\\ d\theta^2 + d\phi^2 & k = 0\\ d\theta^2 + \sinh^2(\theta) d\phi^2 & k = -1 \end{cases}$$
 (12)

represents a 2-dimensional hypersurface with constant curvature 2k and volume  $\omega$ . For k=1, the topology of the event horizon is a two-sphere  $S^2$ , and the spacetime has the topology  $R^2 \times S^2$ . For k=0, the topology of the event horizon is that of a torus and the spacetime has the topology  $R^2 \times T^2$ . For k=-1, the surface  $\Sigma$ 

is a 2-dimensional hypersurface  $H^2$  with constant negative curvature. In this case the topology of spacetime is  $R^2 \times H^2$ . It is worth mentioning that the asymptotic behavior of metric (11) should be

$$f(r) = 1 + \frac{kl^2}{z^2r^2}. (13)$$

Note that this asymptotic behavior is the exact Lifshitz solution which is obtained in Ref. [4] for z=2 and also it reduces to AdS solution for z=1 as one expects.

In this paper, we intend to consider the power-law Maxwell nonlinear source, but here we pause to present some general results coming from general nonlinear electromagnetic sources. Using (11), (10) can immediately be integrated as

$$(H_i)_{rt} = q_i r^{z-3} e^{2\lambda_i \Phi}. \tag{14}$$

Substituting the line element (11) and (14) to (8), one obtains

$$4\left(r^{3+z}f\Phi'\right)' = -l^2r^{1+z}\mathcal{L}_{\Phi} + \frac{4l^{2z}}{r^{3-z}}\sum_{i=2}^{3}\lambda_i q_i^2 e^{2\lambda_i \Phi}, \quad (15)$$

where the prime denotes derivative with respect to r. Let's consider the case where  $\lambda_i$ 's are positive (later, we see that this is true) and  $\mathcal{L}_{\Phi} < 0$  (in most of nonlinear electromagnetic cases this is a true consideration

[20]). In this case the RHS of (15) is always positive and therefore  $r^{3+z}f\Phi'$  is an increasing function. On the other hand, we can prove that our black hole has just one horizon in this case. Consider that there are two inner and outer horizons (denoted by  $r_{-}$  and  $r_{+}$  respectively). In one side  $r^{3+z}f\Phi'$  is an increasing function, while on the other side  $4r^{3+z}\Phi'f|_{r_{+}} -4r^{3+z}\Phi'f|_{r_{-}} = 0$ . This contradiction means that our assumption of having inner and outer horizon is not correct. Thus, if a black hole exists, it has just one horizon and its causal structure is Schwarzschild-like. Since an increasing function has just one zero, if there is any, the zero of  $r^{3+z}f\Phi'$  occurs at the horizon when we have black hole solutions. Consequently,  $r^{3+z}f\Phi'<0$  inside the black hole horizon and  $r^{3+z}f\Phi'>0$  outside of it and therefore since f<0and f > 0, inside and outside the horizon of black hole respectively, we always have  $\Phi' > 0$ .

After presenting the above general results about a general nonlinear electromagnetic sources, we continue our study with power-law Maxwell source with the Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}(F,\Phi) = \left(-e^{-2\lambda_1\Phi}F\right)^p$ . In this case, one can integrate the electromagnetic field equation (9) as

$$F_{rt} = q_1 r^{[(2p-1)z-2p-1]/(2p-1)} e^{(2\lambda_1 p\Phi)/(2p-1)}.$$
 (16)

Substituting (11), (14) and (16) into Eqs. (7) and (8), one receives

$$\frac{rf' + 3f + r^2\Phi'^2f}{l^2} + \Lambda_4 - \frac{k}{r^2} + \frac{(2p-1)q_1^{2p}e^{(2\lambda_1p\Phi)/(2p-1)}}{2^{1-p}l^2(1-z)p_T^{4p/(2p-1)}} + \sum_{i=2}^3 \frac{e^{2\lambda_i\Phi}q_i^2}{l^{2-2z}r^4} = 0,$$
(17)

$$\frac{rf' + f + 2fz - r^2\Phi'^2f}{l^2} + \Lambda_4 - \frac{k}{r^2} + \frac{(2p-1)q_1^{2p}e^{(2\lambda_1p\Phi)/(2p-1)}}{2^{1-p}l^2(1-z)p_r^{4p/(2p-1)}} + \sum_{i=2}^{3} \frac{e^{2\lambda_i\Phi}q_i^2}{l^{2-2z}r^4} = 0,$$
(18)

$$\frac{r^2 f'' + 3 r (1 + z) f' + 2 r^2 \Phi'^2 f + 2 (z^2 + z + 1) f}{2 l^2} + \Lambda_4 - \frac{q_1^{2 p} e^{(2\lambda_1 p \Phi)/(2 p - 1)}}{2^{1 - p} l^2 (1 - z) p r^{4 p/(2 p - 1)}} - \sum_{i=2}^3 \frac{e^{2\lambda_i \Phi} q_i^2}{l^{2 - 2 z} r^4} = 0, \quad (19)$$

$$\frac{r^2 f \Phi'' + \left(r^2 f' + (3+z) r f\right) \Phi'}{l^2} - \frac{\lambda_1 p q_1^{2p} e^{(2\lambda_1 p \Phi)/(2p-1)}}{2^{1-p} l^{2(1-z)p} r^{4p/(2p-1)}} - \sum_{i=2}^3 \frac{\lambda_i q_i^2 e^{2\lambda_i \Phi}}{l^{2-2z} r^4} = 0.$$
 (20)

Subtracting (18) from (17), we arrive at

$$(1-z) + r^2 \Phi'^2 = 0, (21)$$

with the solution

$$\Phi(r) = \sqrt{z - 1} \ln\left(\frac{r}{b}\right),\tag{22}$$

where b is a constant and  $z \ge 1$ . With (22) in hand, by solving field equations (18)-(20), we can find metric

function as

$$f(r) = \frac{kl^2}{zr^2} - \frac{\Lambda_4 l^2}{z+2} - \frac{m}{r^{z+2}}$$

$$- \frac{2^{p-1}q_1^{2p}l^{2p}(z-1)+2(2p-1)^2 b^{\left(-2\sqrt{-1+z}\lambda_1 p\right)/(2p-1)}}{\left(2\sqrt{-1+z}\lambda_1 p + z(2p-1) - 2\right)r^{2p\left(2-\lambda_1\sqrt{z-1}\right)/(2p-1)}}$$

$$- \sum_{i=2}^{3} \frac{q_i^2 l^{2z}r^{-4+2\sqrt{-1+z}\lambda_i}}{\left(-2+z+2\sqrt{-1+z}\lambda_i\right)b^{2\sqrt{-1+z}\lambda_i}},$$
(23)

The field equations are fully satisfied provided:

$$q_{2}^{2} = \frac{-\Lambda_{4}(z-1)b^{4}}{(z+1)l^{2(z-1)}},$$

$$q_{3}^{2} = \frac{kb^{2}(z-1)}{l^{2(z-1)}z},$$

$$\lambda_{1} = \frac{(1-2p)\sqrt{z-1}}{p},$$

$$\lambda_{2} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{z-1}},$$

$$\lambda_{3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{z-1}}.$$
(24)

Using (24), the metric function f(r) may be written as

$$f(r) = \frac{kl^2}{r^2z^2} - \frac{2\Lambda_4 l^2}{(z+1)(z+2)} - \frac{m}{r^{z+2}} + \frac{2^{p-1}q_1^{2p}l^{2p}(z-1)+2}(2p-1)b^{2(z-1)}}{\Gamma_4 r^{\Gamma_4+z+2}}, (25)$$

where  $\Gamma_4 = z - 2 + 2/(2p - 1)$ . Looking at  $q_3^2$  in (24), we find that the hyperbolic case k = -1 causes an imaginary charge except for z = 1. Therefore, we continue the paper just for the cases k = 0 and k = 1. It is remarkable to note that our solutions include topological asymptotic AdS black holes for z = 1. At first glance the constants (24) are infinite for z = 1, but one should note that although  $\lambda_i$ s diverge at z = 1,  $\lambda_i \Phi$  is finite for this case and  $H_i = 0$  and therefore action (6) reduces to the Einstein action in the presence of cosmological constant and nonlinear electromagnetic field for z = 1. This kind of solutions in the absence of cosmological constant has been introduced in [14]. Also, this kind of solutions in the presence of cosmological constant and in the context of Lovelock gravity has been studied in [16].

In order to have asymptotic Lifshitz solutions, f(r) should reduce to the metric (13). Thus, we have another restriction on  $\Lambda_4$  as

$$\Lambda_4 = -\frac{(z+1)(z+2)}{2l^2}. (26)$$

So, the final form of the metric function is

$$f(r) = 1 + \frac{kl^2}{r^2 z^2} - \frac{m}{r^{z+2}} + \frac{q^{2p}}{r^{\Gamma_4 + z + 2}},$$
 (27)

where k = 0, 1 and

$$q^{2p} = \frac{(2p-1)b^{2(z-1)}}{2\Gamma_4 l^{-2}p(z-1)-2} (2q_1^2)^p.$$
 (28)

Using (16), (22) and (24), it is easy to show that the gauge field with the free charge parameter is now given by

$$F_{rt} = \frac{q_1 b^{2(z-1)}}{r^{\Gamma_4 + 1}},$$

and therefore the gauge potential is

$$A_t = -\frac{q_1 b^{2(z-1)}}{\Gamma_A r^{\Gamma_A}}. (29)$$

As we will show later in section (IV), the dependence of total mass of the black hole on  $A_t$  is linear and therefore in order to have a finite mass,  $\Gamma_4$  should be positive. Thus, the metric function (27) has the appropriate asymptotic given in Eq. (13).

### A. PROPERTIES OF THE SOLUTIONS

In order to study the properties of the solutions, we first mention the constraint on z and p which comes from the positivity of  $\Gamma_4$ :

$$z - 2 + \frac{2}{(2p-1)} > 0. (30)$$

The inequality (30) imposes the following restrictions on p and z,

for 
$$p < 1/2$$
,  $z - 1 > (3 - 2p)/(1 - 2p)$ ,

for 
$$1/2 , all  $z(\ge 1)$  values are allowed, (31)$$

for 
$$p > 3/2$$
,  $z - 1 > (2p - 3)/(2p - 1)$ .

For the allowed ranges of p and z, the term including q in f(r) is dominant as  $r \to 0$ . Therefore, as one can see from (27) and (28), since  $\Gamma_4 > 0$  the sign of f(r) in the vicinity of r = 0 depends on the factor 2p - 1. Let us discuss the cases p > 1/2 and p < 1/2, separately. For p > 1/2, f(r) is positive in the vicinity of r = 0. Therefore, one can have an extreme black hole with horizon radius  $r_+ = r_{\rm ext}$  provided  $m = m_{\rm ext}$  or  $q = q_{\rm ext}$ , where

$$q_{\text{ext}}^{2p} = \frac{(z+2)r_{\text{ext}}^{\Gamma_4 + z + 2}}{\Gamma_4} + \frac{kl^2r_{\text{ext}}^{\Gamma_4 + z}}{\Gamma_4 z},$$
 (32)

$$m_{\text{ext}} = \frac{(\Gamma_4 + z + 2)r_{\text{ext}}^{z+2}}{\Gamma_4} + \frac{(\Gamma_4 + z)kl^2r_{\text{ext}}^z}{\Gamma_4 z^2}.$$
 (33)

It is worthwhile to note that  $m_{\rm ext}$  and  $q_{\rm ext}$  are calculated from equations  $f'(r_{\rm ext})=0$  and  $f(r_{\rm ext})=0$ , respectively. We have also solutions with two inner and outer horizons  $r_- < r_{\rm ext} < r_+$  provided  $m > m_{\rm ext}$  or  $q < q_{\rm ext}$  and naked singularities when  $m < m_{\rm ext}$  or  $q > q_{\rm ext}$  (See Figs. (1) and (2)). For p < 1/2,  $f(r) \to -\infty$  as  $r \to 0$  and therefore we have Schwarzschild-like solutions. Note that in this case  $\mathcal{L}_{\Phi} < 0$  and therefore this result matches with the general results we presented before in this section. For this case, Figs. (3) and (4) depicts the behavior of f(r) with suitable choices of z (see Eq.(31)).

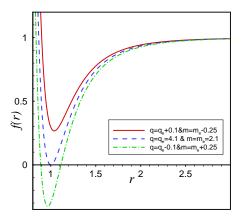


FIG. 1: The function f(r) versus r for p=0.8, z=3, l=b=1, k=0 and  $r_{\rm ext}=1$ .

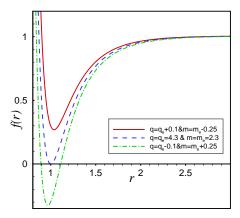


FIG. 2: The function f(r) versus r for p=0.8, z=3, l=b=1, k=1 and  $r_{\rm ext}=1$ .

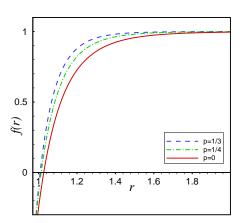


FIG. 3: The function f(r) versus r for p=1/3 (dashed) p=1/4 (dashdot) p=0 (solid),  $z=9,\ m=q=l=b=1$  and k=0.

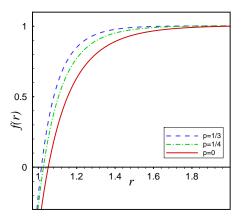


FIG. 4: The function f(r) versus r for p=1/3 (dashed) p=1/4 (dashdot) p=0 (solid),  $z=9,\ m=q=l=b=1$  and k=1.

# III. HIGHER-DIMENSIONAL LIFSHITZ BLACK HOLE/BRANE SOLUTIONS

In this section, we extend our solutions to the case of higher-dimensional solutions. The action of (n+1)-dimensional theory  $(n \ge 3)$  can be written as

$$S = -\frac{1}{16\pi} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^{n+1}x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \mathcal{R} - \frac{4}{n-1} (\nabla \Phi)^2 -2\Lambda + \left( -e^{-4/(n-1)\lambda_1 \Phi} F \right)^p - \sum_{i=2}^3 e^{-4/(n-1)\lambda_i \Phi} H_i \right\}.$$

The variation of action (34) leads to the following field equations

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{g_{\mu\nu}}{n-1} \left\{ 2\Lambda + (2p-1) \left( -Fe^{-4\lambda_1 \Phi/(n-1)} \right)^p - \sum_{i=2}^3 H_i e^{-4\lambda_i \Phi/(n-1)} \right\} + \frac{4}{n-1} \partial_\mu \Phi \partial_\nu \Phi + 2pe^{-4\lambda_1 p\Phi/(n-1)} (-F)^{p-1} F_{\mu\lambda} F_\nu^{\lambda} + 2\sum_{i=2}^3 e^{-4\lambda_i \Phi/(n-1)} (H_i)_{\mu\lambda} (H_i)_\nu^{\lambda}, \qquad (34)$$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi - \frac{p\lambda_1}{2} e^{-4\lambda_1 p\Phi/(n-1)} (-F)^p + \sum_{i=2}^3 \frac{\lambda_i}{2} e^{-4\lambda_i \Phi/(n-1)} H = 0, \qquad (35)$$

$$\nabla_\mu \left( e^{-4\lambda_1 p\Phi/(n-1)} (-F)^{p-1} F^{\mu\nu} \right) = 0, \qquad (36)$$

The line element of the higher-dimensional asymptotic Lifshitz spacetime is

 $\nabla_{\mu} \left( e^{-4\lambda_i \Phi/(n-1)} \left( H_i \right)^{\mu \nu} \right) = 0.$ 

$$ds^{2} = -\frac{r^{2z}f(r)}{l^{2z}}dt^{2} + \frac{l^{2}dr^{2}}{r^{2}f(r)} + r^{2}d\Omega_{n-1}^{2},$$
 (38)

(37)

where  $d\Omega_{n-1}^2$  is an (n-1)-dimensional hypersurface with constant curvature (n-1)(n-2)k and volume  $\omega_{n-1}$ . Following the method of the previous section, one can find the solutions of the field equations (34)-(37) as

$$f(r) = 1 - \frac{m}{r^{n-1+z}} + \frac{kl^2 (n-2)^2}{(z+n-3)^2 r^2} + \frac{q^{2p}}{r^{\Gamma+z+n-1}},$$
(39)

$$\Phi(r) = \frac{(n-1)\sqrt{z-1}}{2} \ln\left(\frac{r}{b}\right),\tag{40}$$

$$(A_1)_t = -\frac{q_1 b^{2(z-1)}}{\Gamma r^{\Gamma}},\tag{41}$$

$$(A_2)_t = \sqrt{\frac{z-1}{2(n+z-1)}} \frac{r^{n+z-1}}{l^z b^{n-1}},$$
 (42)

$$(A_3)_t = \frac{\sqrt{k(n-1)(n-2)(z-1)}r^{z+n-3}}{\sqrt{2}(z+n-3)^{3/2}l^{z-1}b^{n-2}},$$
 (43)

where

$$\Gamma = z - 2 + (n - 1)/(2p - 1),$$

$$q^{2p} = \frac{(2p - 1)b^{2(z - 1)}}{(n - 1)l^{-2}p(z - 1) - 2\Gamma} (2q_1^2)^p,$$

and  $\Lambda = -(z+n-1)(z+n-2)/2l^2$ . Here we pause to point out some remarks as in the previous sections. First,  $(A_3)_t$  is imaginary in the case of k=-1 and therefore our solutions rule out the case with hyperbolic horizon. Second,  $A_t$  should be finite at infinity since the total mass linearly depends on it as we will see later in section (IV). Therefore  $\Gamma$  should be positive. This constraint makes some limits on z and p. The allowed ranges for p and z are:

for 
$$p < 1/2$$
,  $z - 1 > (n - 2p)/(1 - 2p)$ ,

for 
$$1/2 , all  $z(\ge 1)$  values are allowed, (44)$$

for 
$$p > n/2$$
,  $z - 1 > (2p - n)/(2p - 1)$ .

For these allowed ranges of p and z, the term proportional to charge in the metric function disappears at infinity and it dominates as  $r \to 0$ . Therefore, since this term is positive for p > 1/2, in this case one may encounter a black hole with inner and outer horizons or extreme black hole for suitable choices of m and q where

$$q_{\text{ext}}^{2p} = \frac{(z+n-1)}{\Gamma} r_{\text{ext}}^{z+n-1+\Gamma} + \frac{(n-2)^2 k l^2}{\Gamma (z+n-3)} r_{\text{ext}}^{z+n-3+\Gamma}, \qquad (45)$$

$$m_{\text{ext}} = \frac{(\Gamma + z + n - 1)}{\Gamma} r_{\text{ext}}^{z+n-1} + \frac{(\Gamma + z + n - 3) (n-2)^2 k l^2}{\Gamma (z+n-3)^2} r_{\text{ext}}^{z+n-3}. \quad (46)$$

On the other hand, for p < 1/2 where charge term is negative in metric function, we have Schwarzschild-like solutions.

# IV. THERMODYNAMICS OF LIFSHITZ BLACK HOLES/BRANES

In this section, we seek for satisfaction of the first law of thermodynamics for our Lifshitz black hole/brane solutions. We start with the calculation of mass that is fundamental for thermodynamics discussions. We use the modified subtraction method of Brown and York (BY) [21]. In order to use the modified BY method [22], the metric should be written in the form

$$ds^{2} = -X(\mathcal{R})dt^{2} + \frac{d\mathcal{R}^{2}}{Y(\mathcal{R})} + \mathcal{R}^{2}d\Omega^{2}.$$
 (47)

It is obvious from (38) that in our case  $\mathcal{R} = r$  and therefore

$$X(\mathcal{R}) = Y(\mathcal{R}) = f(r(\mathcal{R})). \tag{48}$$

The background metric is chosen to be the metric (47) with

$$X_0(\mathcal{R}) = Y_0(\mathcal{R}) = f_0(r(\mathcal{R})) = 1.$$
 (49)

The quasilocal conserved mass can be calculated via

$$M = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{\mathcal{B}} d^2 \varphi \sqrt{\sigma} \left\{ (K_{ab} - K h_{ab}) - (K_{ab}^0 - K^0 h_{ab}^0) \right\} n^a \xi^b,$$
 (50)

where  $\sigma$  is the determinant of the metric of the boundary  $\mathcal{B}$ ,  $K^0_{ab}$  is the extrinsic curvature of the background metric and  $n^a$  and  $\xi^b$  are the timelike unit normal vector to the boundary  $\mathcal{B}$  and a timelike Killing vector field on the boundary surface, respectively. Using the above modified BY formalism, one can calculate the mass of the space time per unit volume  $\omega_{n-1}$  as

$$M = \frac{(n-1)m}{16\pi l^{z+1}},\tag{51}$$

where the mass parameter m can be written in term of the horizon radius  $r_+$  by using the fact that  $f(r_+) = 0$ :

$$m(r_{+}) = r_{+}^{z+n-1} + \frac{kl^{2} (n-2)^{2} r_{+}^{z+n-3}}{(z+n-3)^{2}} + \frac{q^{2p}}{r_{+}^{\Gamma}}.$$
 (52)

One can also calculate the charge by using the Gauss law

$$Q = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int r^{n-1} e^{-4\lambda_1 p\Phi/(n-1)} (-F)^{p-1} F_{\mu\nu} n^{\mu} u^{\nu} d\Omega,$$
(53)

where  $n^{\mu}$  and  $u^{\nu}$  are the unit spacelike and timelike normals to the hypersurface of radius r given as

$$n^{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g_{tt}}} dt = \frac{l^z}{r^z \sqrt{f(r)}} dt,$$
$$u^{\nu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{rr}}} dr = \frac{r \sqrt{f(r)}}{l} dr.$$

Using (53), we obtain the charge per unit volume  $\omega_{n-1}$ 

$$Q = \frac{2^{p-1} \left( q_1 l^{z-1} \right)^{2p-1}}{4\pi}.$$
 (54)

The electric potential U, measured at infinity with respect to horizon is defined by

$$U = A_{\mu} \chi^{\mu} |_{r \to \infty} - A_{\mu} \chi^{\mu} |_{r = r_{+}}, \qquad (55)$$

where  $\chi = C\partial_t$  is the null generator of the horizon. The value of constant C will be explained later. Using (29), we can obtain electric potential

$$U = \frac{Cq_1b^{2(z-1)}}{\Gamma r_{\perp}^{\Gamma}}. (56)$$

The entropy of the black holes can be calculated by using the area law of the entropy which is applied to almost all kinds of black holes in Einstein gravity including dilaton black holes [23, 24]. Thus, the entropy of our solutions per unit volume  $\omega_{n-1}$  is

$$S = \frac{r_+^{n-1}}{4}. (57)$$

The Hawking temperature can also be obtained as

$$T_{+} = \frac{r_{+}^{z+1} f'(r_{+})}{4\pi l^{z+1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{(n-1+z)r_{+}^{z}}{l^{z+1}} + \frac{k(n-2)^{2} r_{+}^{z-2}}{l^{z-1}(z+n-3)} - \frac{\Gamma q^{2p}}{l^{z+1} r_{+}^{\Gamma+n-2}} \right\}$$

In order to check the first law of thermodynamics, we should write a Smarr-type formula. Using (51), (52), (54) and (57), we can write the Smarr-type formula as

$$M(S,Q) = \frac{(n-1)(4S)^{(n-1+z)/(n-1)}}{16\pi l^{z+1}} + \frac{k(n-1)(n-2)^{2}(4S)^{(z+n-3)/(n-1)}}{16\pi l^{z-1}(z+n-3)^{2}} + \frac{(2p-1)(\pi Q)^{2p/(2p-1)}(4S)^{-\Gamma/(n-1)}}{\pi l^{z-1}2^{(3p-4)/(2p-1)}\Gamma b^{2(1-z)}}.$$
(59)

We can now consider S and Q as a complete set of extensive quantities for mass M(S,Q) and define temperature

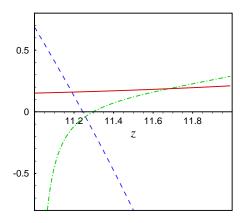


FIG. 5: The behavior of 10T (solid),  $10(\partial^2 M/\partial S^2)_Q$  (dashed) and  $\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^{M}$  (dashdot) versus z for k=0 with l=b=1,  $q_1 = 0.1, r_+ = 0.6, n = 4 \text{ and } p = 1/3.$ 

T and electric potential U as their conjugate intensive quantities, respectively:

$$T = \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial S}\right)_Q$$
 and  $U = \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial Q}\right)_S$ . (60)

Calculations show that intensive quantities calculated by (60) coincide with those computed by (56) and (58) provided C = p. Therefore, these thermodynamics quantities satisfy the first law of thermodynamics:

$$dM = TdS + UdQ. (61)$$

According to (61), it is clear that total mass linearly de- $= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{(n-1+z)r_+^z}{l^{z+1}} + \frac{k(n-2)^2 r_+^{z-2}}{l^{z-1}(z+n-3)} - \frac{\Gamma q^{2p}}{l^{z+1}r_+^{\Gamma+n-1}} \right\}$ (see Eqs. (55) and (56)). Therefore  $A_t$  shows a swe have applied this condition on our solutions (see Eq. (44)).

## V. THERMAL STABILITY IN THE CANONICAL AND GRAND-CANONICAL **ENSEMBLES**

In order to study thermal stability of the asymptotic Lifshitz dilaton black solutions, we adopt two different ensembles, namely, canonical and grand-canonical ensembles. In the canonical ensemble, the charge is a fixed parameter and therefore the positivity of the heat capacity  $C_v = T/(\partial^2 M/\partial S^2)_Q$  is sufficient to ensure the local stability [25, 26]. This implies that the positivity of  $(\partial^2 M/\partial S^2)_Q$  guarantees the local stability of the solutions in the ranges where T is positive. It is a matter

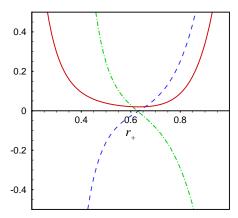


FIG. 6: The behavior of T (solid),  $10^{-1}(\partial^2 M/\partial S^2)_Q$  (dashed) and  $10^{-1}\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^M$  (dashdot) versus  $r_+$  for k=0 with l=b=1,  $q_1=0.1$ , z=12, n=4 and p=1/3.

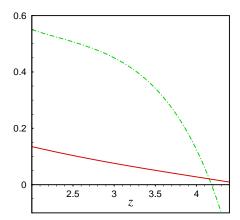


FIG. 7: The behavior of T (solid) and  $10^{-3}\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^{M}$  (dashdot) versus z for k=0 with  $l=b=1,\ q_1=0.2,\ r_+=0.55,\ n=5$  and p=2.

of calculations to show that

$$\left(\frac{\partial^{2} M}{\partial S^{2}}\right)_{Q} = \frac{z(n-1+z)r_{+}^{z-n+1}}{(n-1)\pi l^{z+1}} + \frac{k(n-2)^{2}(z-2)r_{+}^{z-n-1}}{\pi l^{z-1}(n-1)(z+n-3)} + \frac{2^{p}(\Gamma+n-1)(2p-1)q_{1}^{2p}r_{+}^{-\Gamma-2n+2}}{\pi l^{(1-2p)(z-1)}(n-1)^{2}b^{2(1-z)}}.$$
(62)

In grand-canonical ensemble Q is no longer fixed. In our case, the mass is a function of entropy and charge and therefore the system is locally stable provided  $\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^{M} = \left[\partial^{2}M/\partial S\partial Q\right] > 0$  where the determinant of Hessian ma-

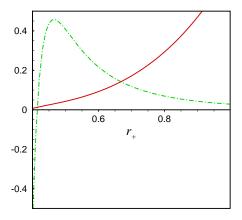


FIG. 8: The behavior of T (solid) and  $10^{-5}\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^{M}$  (dashdot) versus  $r_{+}$  for k=0 with  $l=b=1,\ q_{1}=0.15,\ z=4,\ n=6$  and p=3.

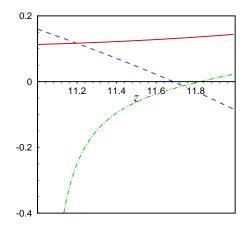


FIG. 9: The behavior of 10T (solid),  $(\partial^2 M/\partial S^2)_Q$  (dashed) and  $\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^M$  (dashdot) versus z for k=1 with l=b=1,  $q_1=0.05, r_+=0.6, n=4$  and p=1/3.

trix can be calculated as

$$\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^{M} = \frac{pz(n-1+z)l^{2p(1-z)-2}r_{+}^{-\Gamma+z-n+1}}{2^{p-3}(2p-1)\Gamma b^{2(1-z)}(n-1)q_{1}^{2(p-1)}} + \frac{pk(n-2)^{2}(z-2)b^{2(z-1)}l^{2p(1-z)}r_{+}^{-\Gamma+z-n-1}}{2^{p-3}(2p-1)(n-1)(z+n-3)\Gamma q_{1}^{2(p-1)}} - \frac{8p(2p-1)(z-2)q_{1}^{2}r_{+}^{-2\Gamma-2n+2}}{(n-1)^{2}\Gamma b^{4(1-z)}}.$$
(63)

Let us now discuss thermal stability of the solutions in both ensembles. As it is obvious from (62) and (63) for z=2 where the allowed range of p is p>1/2 (see Eq.(44)), we have thermally stable solutions in both canonical and grand-canonical ensembles. For other ranges of the parameters, we consider the case k=0 and k=1 separately:

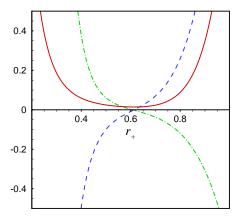


FIG. 10: The behavior of T (solid),  $10^{-1}(\partial^2 M/\partial S^2)_Q$  (dashed) and  $10^{-1}\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^M$  (dashed) versus  $r_+$  for k=1 with  $l=b=1, q_1=0.05, z=12, n=4$  and p=1/3.

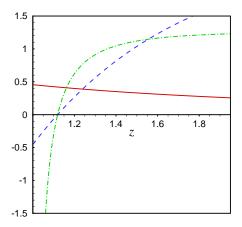


FIG. 11: The behavior of T (solid),  $(\partial^2 M/\partial S^2)_Q$  (dashed) and  $10^{-3}\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^M$  (dashdot) versus z for k=1 with l=b=1,  $q_1=0.1, r_+=0.6, n=4$  and p=2.

i) k=0: As one can see from Fig. 5, for p<1/2 the behaviors of  $\left(\partial^2 M/\partial S^2\right)_Q$  and  $\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^M$  in terms of z are opposite. That is in canonical ensemble, there is a  $z_{\max}$  such that the solutions are stable provided  $z< z_{\max}$ , whereas in the grand-canonical ensemble there is a  $z_{\min}$  in which for values greater than it we have thermally stable solutions. Also, in this range there is a  $r_{+\min}$  in the canonical ensemble that for values greater than it we have stable solutions while in the grand-canonical ensemble there is a  $r_{+\max}$  that for radius of horizon greater than it one encounters unstable solutions. This behavior is shown in Fig. 6. Of course, one should note that for p<0 where z is always greater than 2 (Eq. (44)), there are stable solutions in grand-canonical ensemble. We also encounter stable solutions for p>1/2 for all  $z(\geq 1)$  values in canonical ensemble while the solutions are stable

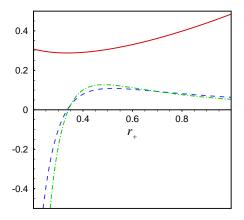


FIG. 12: The behavior of T (solid),  $10^{-1}(\partial^2 M/\partial S^2)_Q$  (dashed) and  $10^{-4}\mathbf{H}_{S,Q}^M$  (dashdot) versus  $r_+$  for k=1 with  $l=b=1,\ q_1=0.1,\ z=1.5,\ n=4$  and p=2.

in the grand-canonical ensemble just for  $1 \le z < 2$ . In the grand-canonical ensemble when p > 1/2 and z > 2 there are unstable solutions for  $z > z_{\rm max} > 2$  (Fig. 7). In latter range there is  $r_{+\,\rm min}$  that for values greater than it we have stable black branes (Fig. 8).

ii) k=1: In this case, solutions are stable in grandcanonical ensemble for p < 0 whereas for 0there are unstable solutions provided  $z < z_{\min}$  (Fig. 9). As one can see in Fig. 9, in canonical ensemble, there are stable black holes provided  $z < z_{\text{max}}$  when p < 1/2. In latter range there is an  $r_{+\,\mathrm{max}}$  in grand-canonical ensemble that for  $r_{+} < r_{+ \max}$  black holes are stable while in canonical ensemble black holes with horizon radius lower than  $r_{+ \min}$  are unstable (Fig. 10). Black holes are always stable in canonical ensemble if p > 1/2 and z > 2. For p > 1/2, we also have stable solutions for  $1 \le z < 2$ in canonical ensemble provided  $z > z_{\min}$  as it is clear from Fig. 11. In grand-canonical ensemble there is also a  $z_{\min}$  that for values lower than it solutions are unstable for p > 1/2 (Fig. 11). In later range black holes in both canonical and grand-canonical ensembles are stable provided that their radius of horizon  $r_{+} > r_{+ \min}$  (See Fig. 12).

### VI. DYNAMICAL STABILITY OF 4-DIMENSIONAL ADS BLACK HOLES

In previous section we investigated the termal stability of topological black hole solutions. In addition to thermal stability, it is worth discussing stability of black hole solutions under dynamical perturbations. Therefore, in this section, we intend to discuss dynamical stability of 4-dimensional AdS black hole solutions. It has been shown that the properties of perturbations of a 4-dimensional static and spherically symmetric background under a two-dimensional rotation transformation can be

decomposed into odd- and even-parity sectors [27]. These perturbations can also be written in terms of the sum of spherical harmonics  $Y_m^{\ell}$  and the dynamical stability is examined by studying the behavior of perturbation modes.

Dynamical stability of black hole solutions in Einstein gravity coupled to nonlinear electrodynamics (NED) sources is presented in [28]. The Hamiltonian of a NED Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{F})$  where  $\hat{F} = F/4$ , can be written as  $\mathcal{H}(\hat{F}) \equiv 2\mathcal{L}_{\hat{F}}\hat{F} - \mathcal{L}$ . It is convenient to study the dynamical stability in so-called P frame where  $P = \mathcal{L}_{\hat{F}}^2\hat{F}$  and  $\mathcal{H}(\hat{F}) \to \mathcal{H}(P)$ . In this frame, there are dynamically stable solutions under odd-type perturbations provided  $\mathcal{H}_P$  has no zero outside the horizon. For even-type perturbations, we have dynamically unstable black hole solutions provided  $\mathcal{H}_{xx} > 0$  where  $x = \sqrt{-2Q^2P}$ . In the case of AdS solutions (z = 1), one can calculate

$$\mathcal{H}_{P} = \frac{1}{p} \left( \frac{-4P}{p^2} \right)^{\frac{1-p}{2p-1}},\tag{64}$$

where  $P = -p^2 (2F_{tr}^2)^{2p-1}/4$ . Since  $\mathcal{H}_P$  has no root outside the horizon, we have stable solutions under odd-type perturbations.  $\mathcal{H}_{xx}$  can also be calculated as

$$\mathcal{H}_{xx} = -\frac{1}{p(2p-1)Q^2} \left(\frac{2x^2}{p^2Q^2}\right)^{\frac{1-p}{2p-1}}.$$
 (65)

Therefore, we encounter unstable solutions under eventype perturbations provided 0 .

#### VII. CLOSING REMARKS

In this paper, we constructed a new class of asymptotically Lifshitz topological black hole solutions of Einsteindilaton gravity coupled to a power-law Maxwell field. The motivation for taking this kind of Lagrangian originates from the fact that Maxwell Lagrangian is conformally invariant only in four dimensions. In order to build a version of Maxwell theory which enjoy the conformally invariance property in all higher dimensions, the so-called power-law Maxwell electrodynamics was proposed in Ref. [13]. In fact, in (n+1)-dimensional spacetime the Lagrangian  $\left[-e^{-4/(n-1)\lambda\Phi}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}\right]^p$  is invariant under the conformal transformation  $g_{\mu\nu} \to \Omega^2 g_{\mu\nu}$ ,  $A_{\mu} \rightarrow A_{\mu}$  and  $\Phi \rightarrow \Phi$ , provided p = (n+1)/4. We first considered the four dimensional action and by using this toy model we explained the procedure of obtaining the asymptotic Lifshitz topological charged black holes of the theory in detail. We allowed the horizon to be a hypersurface with k = 1, 0, -1 constant curvature. Although we found that the reality of the charge parameter rules out the case k = -1 in the presence of dilaton and two electromagnetic fields, a topological Lifshitz black hole with k = -1 has been obtained in Ref. [4]

in the presence of a massive electromagnetic field. Indeed, in the solution obtained in Ref. [4], the massive electromagnetic field makes the asymptotic behavior to be Lifshitz, while here the set of dilaton and two linear electromagnetic fields guarantees the asymptotic Lifshitz behavior for topological black hole. We also discussed the possible ranges of the parameters for which the metric function goes to  $f(r) \to 1 + kl^2/(z^2r^2)$  as  $r \to \infty$ where z is a dynamical critical exponent shows the degrees of anisotropy between space and time in Lifshitz spacetime. Then, we generalized our study to all higher dimensions. We found that our (n+1)-dimensional solutions are asymptotically Lifshitz provided for p < 1/2and p > n/2, z - 1 > (2p - n)/(2p - 1) while for  $1/2 , all <math>z(\ge 1)$  values are allowed. Using the modified Brown York method, we computed the mass of the solutions. Next, by computing the thermodynamical quantities associated with (n + 1)-dimensional asymptotic Lifshitz dilaton black holes/branes with power-law Maxwell field and obtaining the Smarr formula M(S,Q), we checked the validity of the first law of thermodynamics, dM = TdS + UdQ, on the horizon. We also explore thermal stability of the obtained solutions both in canonical and grand-canonical ensembles. We found that our solutions are always stable in both canonical and grandcanonical ensembles for z=2 where the allowed range of p is p > 1/2. In grand-canonical ensemble, our black hole/brane solutions are always stable for p < 0. In this ensemble, there are stable solutions for 0 provided  $z > z_{\min}$  or  $r < r_{+\max}$ . For p > 1/2, black branes are stable for  $1 \le z < 2$  while they are stable for  $z < z_{\text{max}}$ or  $r > r_{+ \min}$  when z > 2. In latter range of p, black holes are stable provided  $z(r_+) > z_{\min}(r_{+\min})$ . In canonical ensemble, our black hole/brane solutions encounter instability for p < 1/2 and  $z > z_{\text{max}}$  or  $r < r_{+ \min}$ . For p > 1/2, black branes (k = 0) are always stable in canonical ensemble while black holes (k = 1) are stable for z > 2. In latter range of p, black hole solutions encounter instability in canonical ensemble in the range of  $1 \leq z < 2$  provided  $z < z_{\min}$  or  $r_+ < r_{+\min}.$  Finally, we discussed the stability of 4-dimensional solutions under dynamical perturbations in the case of asymptotic AdS spacetime where z=1.

In this work, we focused on static asymptotic Lifshitz topological black holes in the context of Einstein dilaton gravity in the presence of electromagnetic fields. This work can be extended from different aspects. First, one may be interested in studying the effects of rotation on thermodynamics and thermal stability of the solutions. Second, it is interesting to investigate the thermodynamics of nonlinearly charged topological Lifshitz black holes with hyperscaling violation. Also, one may generalize these kind of solutions to other kind of nonlinear electromagnetic fields. Furthermore, this work can be done in higher curvature gravities. Some of these works are under investigation.

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